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Via E-Mail & CM/RRR (7015 3010 0001 7695 0740)

Sam Grover
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Re: May 10, 2016 Letter of Concern re: Friendswood High School

Dear Mr. Grover:

I have received your May 10 letter of concern regarding the baccalaureate service occurring on May 22 in the Friendswood High School ("FHS") auditorium. Please note that this event is not a school-sponsored activity; instead, it is an event organized by several area churches that have rented the auditorium space under the same policies, terms, and conditions as any other organization. Moreover, the senior photo scheduled for May 22 is in no way affiliated with the baccalaureate service; indeed, in years past many students who have attended the photo have not attended the baccalaureate event.

However, the District's investigation into the issues raised by your letter confirmed that FHS mistakenly mailed a handout to senior students containing details about the service and erroneously included the service on the school's event calendar. Given that the service is not a school-sponsored event, neither should have occurred.

In order to remedy any confusion, FHS Principal Mark Griffon has sent a memorandum (attached) to all senior students indicating that the prior notice was sent in error and that the event is not school-sponsored. FHS has also removed all references to the event from its calendar.

I trust this letter addresses your concerns. Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Clay T. Grover

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Senior Students:

The Baccalaureate program was mistakenly added to the senior mail-out. It should not have been listed as it is not a school sponsored function.

Baccalaureate is hosted by the area churches who rent our facility.

Sincerely,



Mark Griffon
Principal